

The Great War—1547th Day

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In New PushU. S. Troops Occupy Belle-
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of Bois des LogesMany Fires Caused
By Yankee AirmenGerman Concentrations at
Taily and Barricourt
Are Broken Up

WITH THE AMERICAN FORCES NORTHWEST OF VERDUN, Oct. 31. (By The Associated Press.)—General Pershing's forces to-day occupied Bellejoyeuse Farm and the southern edges of the Bois des Loges. The Americans encountered but little machine gun opposition.

The advance was in the nature of a line-straightening operation.

Otherwise the activity along the front to-day consisted principally of reciprocal artillery firing and bombing.

American aviators this morning dropped bombs on Taily and Barricourt, where German troops were reported to be concentrating. A number of fires and much destruction of military property were reported.

German bombers were busy before daylight and they dropped about one hundred bombs in the region of the Bois de Dannevoix, south of Villesme on the Meuse.

There was very little infantry action during the day.

Army Officers Will Get
Uniforms at Cost to U. S.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—Ready-made officers' uniforms and cloths for tailor-made articles will be sold by the Quartermaster Corps at cost after December 1. The War Department announced to-day that stocks will be carried on that date at quartermaster depots in Washington, New York, Atlanta, Fort Sam Houston, San Francisco, Chicago and St. Louis and at other depots as soon as the cloth becomes available.

A schedule of fair prices for making the uniforms and furnishing trimming and linings will be prepared, and a list of tailors who will agree to make the uniforms at these rates will be published. The government will guarantee collection of bills.

Max Makes Erzberger Head
Of War Press Department

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 31.—Prince Maximilian, the German Chancellor, has signed a decree entrusting Matthias Erzberger, as Deputy Imperial Chancellor, with control of the War Press Department, according to the "Vossische Zeitung," of Berlin.



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cold, blowy days.

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Germans Left North Belgium
Bristling Fortress of WireMaze of Barbs Extends Mile Inland From Coast—Most of
Big Guns Gone, but Bridges Are Saved by Bribery
—American Corned Beef Feeds Ostend

BELGIAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN FLANDERS, Oct. 27. (By The Associated Press.)—When the Germans withdrew hastily from the North Sea shore of Belgium they left behind a series of fortifications all the way from Zeebrugge to Nieuport. The entire shore is a continuous line of redoubts, reinforced concrete dugouts, trenches and barbed wire entanglements, with gun pits about every fifty yards.

The Germans carried off most of the guns, but retired so hastily they had to leave a great many behind.

The German abandonment of the Belgian North Sea shore was thorough and complete in the vicinity of Ostend, where they left behind little of their material. The haste of their movement increased, however, from Blankenberge northward.

Zeebrugge is a city of barbed wire, concrete, steel and rails. From the breakwater to points about a mile inland there are five lines, each of from four to five rows of barbed wire. There are also dugouts and block-houses craftily camouflaged. Two huge guns still stand guard over the breakwater, pointing across the sea toward England, but the breeches are gone.

An Excellent Job

At the entrance to the locks the two British ships sunk by the British in the gallant action of last June. The job was thoroughly done, the entrance being completely blocked except for about ten yards on either side, where the Germans had sunk two small sloops. The unpaired breakwater remains as proof of the further success of the British foray into Zeebrugge.

The road from Ostend to Zeebrugge, which the Germans recently held, is one continuous fortress, with many guns silhouetted against the sky. The number of guns increases as the fortified line nears Zeebrugge.

The Germans evidently meant that this line should be a permanent one. One concrete blockhouse, 90 by 30 feet, remains unfinished, and there are other evidences that the Germans started work on new fortifications as late as a month ago.

The town of Blankenberge, between Zeebrugge and Ostend, is virtually un-
damaged, but deserted. All the build-
ings have been stripped of copper and
iron.

Ostend, from a distance, looks ex-
actly as on fete days in times of peace.
Flags are hanging from every window
and the city is decorated gayly. Signs
of ruin and damage, however, become
apparent as soon as the city is en-
tered. Ostend has suffered much. The
casino is desolate and empty, and the
walls have been riddled by shellfire.
The maritime station is a complete
wreck. Many houses have crumbled
to the ground and most of the bridges
in the town have been destroyed.

Tips Saved Bridges

The fact that not all the bridges
were blown up by the Germans is com-
mented upon by military visitors to
Ostend. An alderman of the city ex-
plained that the German General Staff
had given orders to destroy all the
bridges. However, the German non-
commissioned officers detailed for the
work of destruction, he added, fell easy
victims to persuasive 100 or 200 mark
bills. Some of the other German sol-
diers succumbed to the offer of bur-
gundy and champagne and were found
intoxicated when the Belgians entered
Ostend.

An old woman resident of the town
told the correspondent, who wondered
at the profusion of Belgian flags that
a German trader had visited Ostend
some days before the evacuation and
surreptitiously sold thousands of Bel-
gian flags.

"Is this not truly German?" she
asked.

Many other residents had hidden
their Belgian flags from the invaders.

American Meat Served

The population is returning to Os-
tend and there are also many visitors
in the city, making the food problem
rather difficult. Relief is in sight,
however, as communications are being
reestablished rapidly. At the Dutch
Spanish Food Commission headquarters
the employees are dispensing pound
meats of American corned beef to the
hungry ones. Victor Finson, a repre-
sentative of the committee, said that
he expected to have the situation in
within a few days. He praised the
work done by the American Relief
Commission in the first three years of
the war.

Corps have reached the Livenza
River at Francantonio.

Further south the Eleventh Italian
Corps has occupied Oderzo.

This advance has been gained
throughout practically the entire
length of the objective assigned to
it (the Earl of Cavan, British com-
mander on the Piave) by his excel-
lency General Diaz when he first
laid his plans before me, early in
the days of October. The energy and
determination of the infantry has
been beyond all praise.

The difficulties of bridging the
Piave led at first to an inevitable
shortness of supplies. In spite of
lack of food and sleep and in the face
of constant fighting the 37th Italian
Division and the 7th and 23d British
divisions have advanced without
relief to their final objective.

The Royal Air Force has again to-
day done excellent work.

British and Italian troops operat-
ing on the Asiago Plateau have en-
tered Camponovo (northwest of
Asiago) and captured the heights of
Mozato. The number of prisoners
taken by the Tenth Army has in-
creased to more than 12,000.

The advance continued this morn-
ing. The Tenth Army has reached a
line two miles east of Ormelle, the
western edge of Lutrano, Albina,
Codogne and Vendramino and is con-
tinuing the advance. In yesterday's
operations the geometry captured
more than 200 prisoners.

The Third Army has crossed the
Piave, south of the Tenth Army. The
advance of the Eighth and Twelfth
armies is proceeding rapidly. Vi-
torio has been occupied by the Eighth
Army.

Aviators report that the airdromes
at Tassone and Pordenone and the am-
munition dumps at Saffie are burn-
ing. A mass of hostile infantry, es-
timated at 10,000, was attacked from

the air this morning in the neigh-
borhood of Saffie and scattered.
British troops commanded by the
Italian General Pennella have entered
Asiago.

AUSTRIAN

VIENNA (Oct. 30).—Taking into
account the resolve so often ex-
pressed to bring about a conclusion
of an armistice and peace, putting
an end to the struggle of nations,
our troops fighting on Italian soil
will evacuate occupied regions.

In the Italian theatre there has
been only minor fighting activity on
the Tyrolean front. Between the
Brenta and the Piave, however, the
superior enemy forces attacked
Monte Asolone and Monte Pertica.
Our troops, with unexampled and sol-
dierly faithfulness, brought all the
enemy's efforts to naught.

On the Venetian Plains the British
and Italians thrust further forward.
By using all their fighting means
they succeeded appreciably in extend-
ing the points at which they had
broken through north and south of
Montello.

With the American Army in
FRANCE, Oct. 31. (By The Associated
Press.)—American fighting men at the
front are to keep warm this winter.
The forestry section of the American
expeditionary force has promised to
deliver on the road ready to be hauled
to the front before January
1, 1,000,000 cubic metres of fuel
wood. This is equivalent to a pile of
wood a yard wide and a yard high
stretching from Paris to Berlin.

Thousands of foresters are now busy
in the French forests gathering and
cutting the wood, which comes from
deadwood and refuse in the forest.
The cutting of wood in the French
are so proud are not being cut.

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indivisible as the two arms
of a coat.

BRITISH
Italian Front

LONDON (Oct. 31).—The advance
of the Tenth Army continued without
check throughout the day. British
cavalry detachments, in close touch
with Italian cavalry, have reached
the western outskirts of Saffie.
Troops of the Fourteenth British

Haig Wrests
More Ground
From EnemyBig Slice of Territory Won
by Belgians, British,
French and YanksAmericans Press On
To Bellejoyeuse FarmAllies Gain All Objectives;
Violent Fighting in
Champagne

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN
FRANCE AND BELGIUM, Oct. 31 (3
p. m.) (By The Associated Press.)—An-
other big slice of important territory
was torn from the enemy to-day along
a wide front in Belgium, between De-
nyze, on the north, and Aveghem, on
the south, by an Allied force composed
of Belgian, British, French and Ameri-
can troops. The American units were
fighting with the French north of the
Belgian.

LONDON, Oct. 31.—General Plumer's
British Second Army and French and
Belgian divisions launched an attack
early this morning on a wide front
along the Scheldt River, in Flanders.
In heavy fighting the Allies pushed
their way forward east of Tournai,
forcing the enemy to fall back rapidly.

Objectives were carried everywhere
on the line as Haig's men advanced.
One thousand prisoners were counted by
the British alone, operating southwest
of Audenarde, in the initial thrust.
Field Marshal Haig announced last
night. More captives were taken by
King Albert's forces on the left, which
swung forward for gains along the Lys
Derivation Canal. Dwaighem, in the
centre of the line, was wrested from
the enemy, the report from Havre
states.

Advance British forces penetrated
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